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**Submission: Consumer representation: Review of section 593 of the
Telecommunications Act 1997 Issues paper**

The Society on Social Implications of Technology (SSIT) of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) is concerned with how technology impacts the world, and with how the application of technology can improve the world.

We believe that it is important to have a consumer representative body that understands the particular issues inherent in the telecommunications industry, including business structures and technologies. In our view, a general consumer body could not perform the same function currently performed by ACCAN. Further we acknowledge the importance of evidence-based policy in this area, and the contribution that ACCAN's workshops and publications have made.

Regards

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